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What is claimed is:

- 1. A composition for preventing or treating cancer in a subject comprising at least a portion of a MUC1 cytoplasmic tail peptide of SEQ ID NO:1.
- 2. A method for preventing or treating cancer in a subject comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of a composition of claim 1 so that cancer is prevented or treated in the subject.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the at least a portion of a MUC1 cytoplasmic tail peptide of SEQ ID NO:1 comprises a vaccine.